



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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February 3, 2012

Mr. Burton Craig

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Advisory Letter Re: FPPC No. 11/964; Burton Craig, Respondent

Dear Mr. Craig:

The Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the Act) found in Government Code Section 81000, et seq. We recently received a Statement of Economic Interests non-filer referral from the Santa Clara Clerk of the Board concerning your failure to file your Assuming Office Statement of Economic Interests by the January 20, 2011 deadline.

In response to our letter to you concerning the matter, you contacted this office indicating you are a new councilmember in the City of Monteseveno and when you filed your statement in connection with your city office, you asked the clerk if your filings were sufficient and the clerk respondent in the affirmative. However, since the clerk had no reason to know you were on a county special district, the clerk could not have responded to your question accurately. You relied on the advice of the clerk that your filings were sufficient.

Since it appears you were under the mistaken belief that all filing obligations had been met, and since you provided a signed copy of your assuming office statement upon request, we are closing our file on this matter. Please be advised however that if you sit on multiple boards or commissions, you may have a filing obligation with each board and commission. Your statement filed with the city clerk may not necessarily satisfy your filing obligations with other boards and commissions.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (916) 322-8194.

Sincerely,

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cc: Ms. Maria Marinos, County of Santa Clara